The Gender Scorecard 2023



Women's Excellence in Law & Leadership (WELL)
Women's representation in top law firms across Africa



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THE GENDER SCORECARD

The Gender Scorecard provides statistics on the representation of women in leadership and managerial positions in law firms. We profile law firms that meet the minimum threshold of ten to fifteen associates. The data gathered is pivotal in analyzing women's representation in positions of leadership, and in devising effective strategies to address the obstacles women in law encounter in their quest to leadership positions in the legal professions.

The legal field has traditionally been a male-dominated profession, with women being significantly underrepresented in leadership positions. Although progress has been made in recent years, the legal profession has ways to go in achieving gender equality. The underrepresentation of women in leadership positions affects society as a whole.

Studies conducted by the Institute for African Women in Law (IAWL) point to several factors accounting for women's underrepresentation in leadership positions in law. These include; different negotiation and networking skills, lack of institutionalized mentoring opportunities, gender biases and negative stereotypes of women.

The core mandate of IAWL is to enhance the capacity of women in law through four key pillars, namely training, advocacy, research and mentorship. The Gender Scorecard is the first step towards achieving gender equality in leadership positions in law, as it will inform future interventions to support the advancement of women in law.

We sourced the information for this project from publicly available data found on the websites of the law firms profiled.

We recognize that gender is socially constructed and the meaning of the term "gender" varies between societies and changes over time. While acknowledging expansive gender identities, this project uses the binary division of male and female to classify the representation of men and women on the scorecards. For this project, we use the visual gender representation of the binary male and female and not the self-identified gender identity of the individuals.

Disclaimer:

The Gender Scorecard presents data collected at the end of the previous year. The data referenced in this edition were collected the preceding year. Therefore, some of the information presented may not reflect the updated numbers after the data were collected. Watch out for the release of the next compilation.



AT-A-GLANCE



WHAT

Statistics on the representation of women in leadership and managerial positions in law firms.



WHO

Eighty two (82) law firms with a minimum threshold of ten to fifteen (10-15) associates from nineteen (19) African countries.



SOURCE

Publicly available data on the websites of the law firms profiled.



RANKS

- Managing Partners
- Partners
- Senior Associates
- Associates

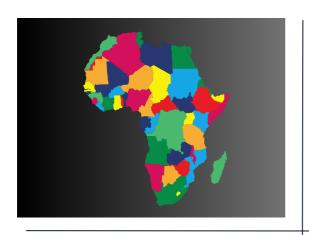


GENDER

Visual gender representation of the binary male and female and not the self-identified gender identity of the individuals.



AT-A-GLANCE



82
LAW FIRMS IN AFRICA



2175

LAWYERS



1035

FEMALE



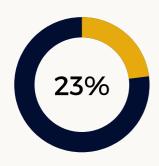
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MALE



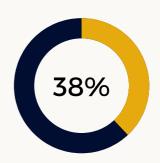
General overview of the number, diversity and ranking of the law firms covered in the Gender Scorecard

MANAGING PARTNERS



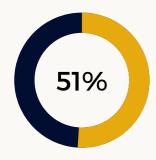
Total	56
Females	13
Males	43

PARTNERS



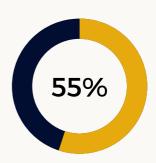
Total	717
Females	269
Males	448

SENIOR ASSOCIATES



Total	425
Females	216
Males	209

ASSOCIATES



Total	977
Females	537
Males	440



The Gender Scorecard project surveyed 82 law firms, focusing on the ranks of Managing Partner, Partner, Senior Associates and Associates. The total number of individuals surveyed at each law firm may not be reflective of the total number of individuals present in the law firms in positions such as Senior Partner, Of Counsel, among others. To ensure consistency across countries, these positions were not included in our methodology.



NORTH AFRICA



Dentons Sayarh & Menjra Morocco

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

0/3



ASSOCIATES







Hajji & Associés Avocats Morocco

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

0/1



LAWYERS







Kettani Law Firm Morocco

PARTNERS
2/2



ASSOCIATES
4/19







Naciri & Associés, Allen & Overy Morocco

PARTNERS

0/3



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

2/3



ASSOCIATES



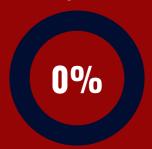




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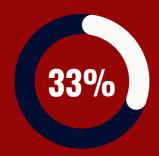
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SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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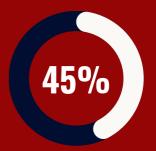
PARTNERS

0/3



ASSOCIATES

5/11



Data source: Law firm's website based on 2022 data.



Helmy, Hamza & Partners; Baker McKenzie Egypt

PARTNERS

2/5



ASSOCIATES

8/16





Data source: Law firm's website based on 2022 data.



Youssry Saleh & Partners Egypt

PARTNERS

1/2



ATTORNEYS AT LAW

2/10



ASSOCIATES

1/1





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Zaki Hashem & Partners (ZH&P) Egypt

PARTNERS

5/20



ASSOCIATES

3/16





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Zulficar & Partners Law Firm Egypt

PARTNERS

3/10



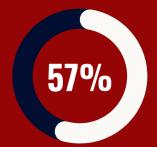
SENIOR COUNSEL

5/7



ASSOCIATES

8/14





Data source: Law firm's website based on 2022 data.



Berjeblawyers

Tunisia

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

0/1



SENIOR ASSOCIATES 0/3



ASSOCIATES 2/3





El Ajeri Lawyers Tunisia

MANAGING PARTNER
0/1



SENIOR ASSOCIATES
5/8



LAWYERS

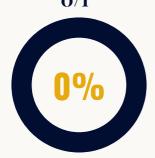






Eversheds Sutherlands Tunisia

MANAGING PARTNERS



PARTNERS

1/2



SENIOR ASSOCIATES



ASSOCIATES







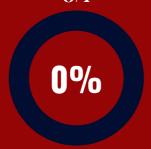
WEST AFRICA



Aelex Nigeria

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

3/12



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

6/10



ASSOCIATES 12/16





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Ajumogobia & Okeke Nigeria

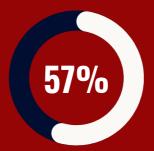
PARTNERS

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SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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ASSOCIATES

9/12





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Aluko & Oyebode Nigeria

MANAGING PARTNERS

1/2



PARTNERS

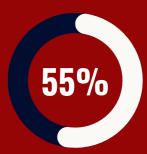
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SENIOR ASSOCIATES 9/18



ASSOCIATES 23/42





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Banwo & Ighodalo Nigeria

MANAGING PARTNERS
0/1

0%

PARTNERS

7/15

47%

ASSOCIATES
36/63

57%



Data source: Law firm's website based on 2022 data.



Bloomfield Law Practice Nigeria

PARTNERS 0/3

0%

SENIOR ASSOCIATES

1/2



ASSOCIATES

5/8





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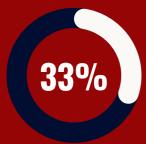
Dentons - ACAS Law Nigeria

MANAGING PARTNERS
1/1



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

3/9



PARTNERS 5/10



ASSOCIATE COUNSEL

5/10





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G. ELIAS

Nigeria

PARTNERS

2/9



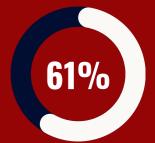
SENIOR ASSOCIATES

8/14



ASSOCIATES

23/38





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Olaniwun Ajayi Nigeria

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/2

0%

SENIOR ASSOCIATES

2/3



PARTNERS

8/19



ASSOCIATES
4/6

67%



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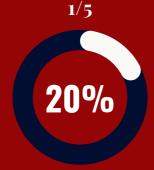
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MANAGING PARTNERS

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SENIOR ASSOCIATES



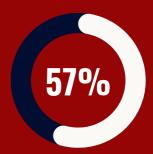
PARTNERS

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ASSOCIATES

4/7



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Punuka Attorneys & Solicitors Nigeria

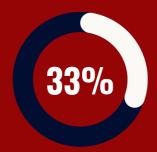
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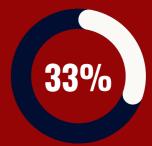
SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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PARTNERS

3/9



ASSOCIATES 7/11

64%



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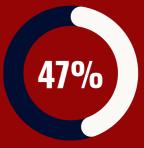
Templars Law Nigeria

MANAGING PARTNERS

0%

PARTNERS

9/19



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

9/18



ASSOCIATES

44/77





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Udo Udoma & Belo-Osagie Nigeria

MANAGING PARTNERS

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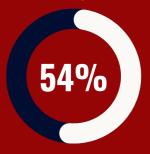
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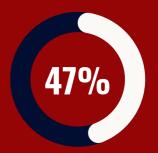
PARTNERS

7/13



ASSOCIATES

17/36



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AB & David Africa Ghana

MANAGING PARTNER

1/1



PARTNERS 5/7



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

4/6



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ASSOCIATES





ENS Africa Ghana

EXECUTIVES

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ASSOCIATES







Kulendi @Law Ghana

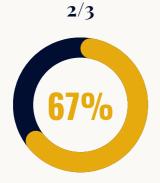
MANAGING PARTNERS
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SENIOR ASSOCIATES



ASSOCIATES





Minka Premo & Co Ghana

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

2/5



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

6/8



ASSOCIATES





N. Dowuona & Company Ghana

MANAGING PARTNERS

1/1



PARTNERS

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ASSOCIATES







Gene & Kebe Lawyers; DLA Piper Senegal

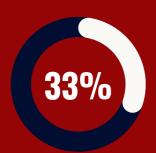
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PARTNERS 0/1



SENIOR ASSOCIATES
2/6



ASSOCIATES
1/5





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Mame Adama Gueye & Associé (MAGA) Senegal

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



SENIOR COUNSEL

3/6



ASSOCIATES

0/2





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Bilé-Aka, Brizoua-Bi & Associés Ivory Coast

PARTNERS

0/2



ASSOCIATES



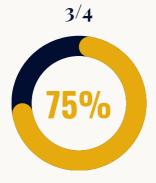




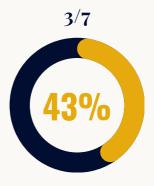
KS & Associés

Ivory Coast

ASSOCIATE LAWYERS



LAWYERS







Lex Ways Ivory Coast

ASSOCIATES







Heritage Partners and Associates Liberia

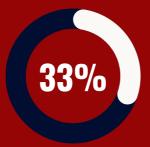
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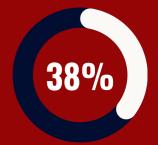
PARTNERS

1/3



ASSOCIATES

3/8





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GPK Legal Sierra Leone

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

0/2



ASSOCIATES

3/6





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EAST AFRICA



Aman & Partners Ethiopia

MANAGING PARTNERS

O/1



PARTNERS

0/3



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

3/3



ASSOCIATES

1/2





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Fikadu Asfaw and Associates Law Office (FALO) Ethiopia

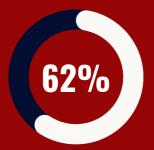
PARTNERS

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0%

ASSOCIATES

5/8





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Mehrteab & Getu Advocates LLP Ethiopia

MANAGING DIRECTORS

0/1



PARTNERS

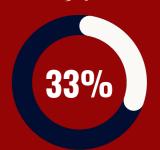
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SENIOR ASSOCIATES
0/1



ASSOCIATES
3/9





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Bowmans: Coulson Harney LLP Kenya

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

3/12



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

8/16

ASSOCIATES









Dentons Hamilton Harrison & Mathews Kenya

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

4/10



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

3/7



ASSOCIATES







ENS Africa Kenya

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

2/5



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

1/2



ASSOCIATES







Iseme, Kamau & Maema Advocates (IKM) Kenya

MANAGING PARTNERS



PARTNERS 9/15



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

6/12



21/30

ASSOCIATES







MANAGING PARTNERS

1/2



PARTNERS

3/6



SENIOR ASSOCIATES
4/6

67%

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ASSOCIATES
7/11





Triple OK Law Advocates Kenya

MANAGING PARTNERS

2/3



PARTNERS

1/5



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

2/4



ASSOCIATES







Kampala Associated Advocates Uganda

MANAGING PARTNERS

o/1

0%

SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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PARTNERS

1/5



ASSOCIATES

3/5



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Katende, Ssempebwa Advocates Uganda

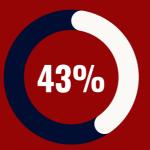
PARTNERS

2/8

25%

SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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ASSOCIATES

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KTA Advocates Uganda

MANAGING PARTNERS

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SENIOR ASSOCIATES

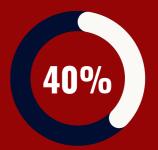
67%

PARTNERS 0/4



ASSOCIATES

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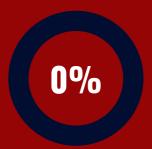
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MMAKS Advocates Uganda

MANAGING PARTNERS

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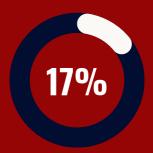
SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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PARTNERS

1/6



ASSOCIATES

5/10





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Shonubi Musoke & Co. Uganda

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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PARTNERS

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ASSOCIATES

7/13



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Aymak Attorneys Tanzania

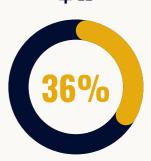
MANAGING PARTNERS



PARTNERS 0/3



ASSOCIATES
4/11







Bowmans Tanzania

MANAGING PARTNERS

0%

PARTNERS 0/3

0%

SENIOR ASSOCIATES

3/8



ASSOCIATES







Breakthrough Attorneys Tanzania

PARTNERS
1/1



SENIOR ASSOCIATES
4/6



ASSOCIATES
1/2







Dentons Tanzania

MANAGING PARTNERS

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PARTNERS

1/4



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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ASSOCIATES







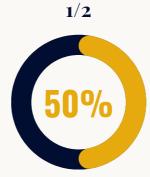
Fin & Law Tanzania

PRINCIPAL PARTNERS

0/1



SENIOR ASSOCIATES



ASSOCIATES

5/10

50%





Hallmark Attorneys Tanzania

PARTNERS

1/2



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

1/3



ASSOCIATES







IMMMA Advocates Tanzania

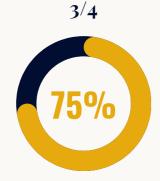
MANAGING PARTNERS 0/1



PARTNERS
4/5



SENIOR ASSOCIATES



ASSOCIATES





Mawalla Tanzania

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS

0/3



ASSOCIATES
5/9







Rex Attorneys at Law Tanzania

MANAGING PARTNERS



PARTNERS 2/6



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

3/4

75%

ASSOCIATES







SBN Attorneys Tanzana

PARTNERS 0/4



ASSOCIATES
1/4







SOUTHERN AFRICA



Lexel Juridique & Fiscal Madagascar

MANAGING PARTNERS
0/1



PARTNERS

0/4

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ASSOCIATES







John W Ffooks & Co

Madagascar

MANAGING PARTNERS

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PARTNERS

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SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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ASSOCIATES







Dr Weder, Kauta & Hoveka Inc Namibia

DIRECTORS

11/22

50%

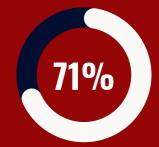
SENIOR ASSOCIATES

0/1



ASSOCIATES

5/7





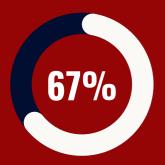
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Ellis Shilengudwa Inc. Namibia

DIRECTORS

4/6



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

1/1



ASSOCIATES

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ENS Africa Namibia

EXECUTIVES

2/7

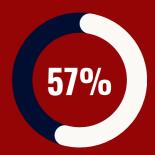


SENIOR ASSOCIATES

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ASSOCIATES
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Koep

Namibia

PARTNERS

1/4



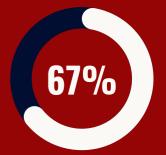
SENIOR ASSOCIATES

1/3



ASSOCIATES

4/6





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Sisa Namandje & Co Namibia

DIRECTORS

3/5



SENIOR ASSOCIATES

1/2



ASSOCIATES

2/3





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Chibesakunda & Company Zambia

MANAGING PARTNERS



PARTNERS



SENIOR ASSOCIATES



ASSOCIATES 3/5



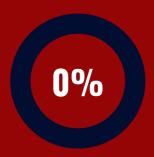




Clairwood Chambers - Mutamangira & Associates Zimbabwe

MANAGING PARTNERS

0/1



PARTNERS 0/2



ASSOCIATES 3/6





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Coghlan, Welsh & Guest Zimbabwe

MANAGING PARTNERS

1/1



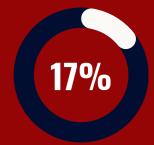
PARTNERS

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ASSOCIATES

1/6



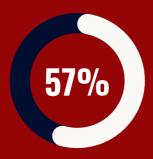


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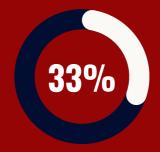


Honey & Blanckenberg Zimbabwe

PARTNERS
4/7



ASSOCIATES
1/3





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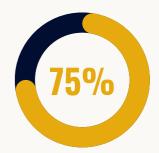


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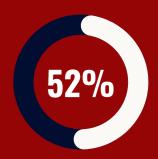
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